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In re Application of: **STUPECKY**)
U.S. Appln. No.: **10/633,988**) Art Unit: **3765**
Filing Date: **August 4, 2003**) Examiner: **Gary L. Welch**
Title: **Device for Flesching, Stretching and**)
Drying Leather or Similar Flat)
Materials Such as Skins, Furs and)
Such Like)

AMENDMENT

TO THE HONORABLE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS
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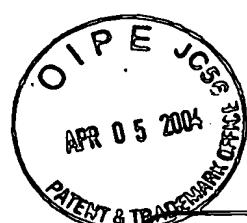
Please cancel claims 5, 6, and 14-18 without prejudice.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings are on page 6 of this paper. Replacement sheets follow the last page of this Amendment as an attachment.

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